

Amendments to the Specification:

*Please amend the specification on page 1, at paragraph [0002] as follows:

[0002] The subject matter of the present application is also related to that disclosed in assignee's U.S. Patent Application Nos. 09/597,209, filed June 20, 2000 (now US Patent No. 6,411,725), 09/660,756, filed September 13, 2000, and 10/002,225, filed November 20, 2001 (published as US 2002-0066111 A1), and U.S. Patent No. 6,122,403. Each of these patent documents is herein incorporated by reference.

*Please amend the specification on page 2, at paragraph [0007], as follows:

[0007] Much work has been done in recent years in the field of video digital watermarking – the science of conveying data through slight changes to the video information presented to the viewer (“in-band”). The changes are preferably slight as to be imperceptible to the viewer, yet can be recovered by suitable signal processing. Illustrative techniques are shown in the assignee's U.S. Patent No. 6,122,403 and U.S. Application Nos. 09/138,061 (now US Patent No. 6,229,924) and 09/164,859 (now US Patent NO. 6,374,036), and in patent documents WO99/45705, WO 00/04722, each of which are hereby incorporated by reference. Of course, other techniques can be used to steganographically embed data within a video signal. Such embedding techniques are suitably interchangeable with the present invention.

*Please amend the specification on page 34, at paragraph [0112], as follows:

[0112] To provide a comprehensive disclosure without unduly lengthening this specification, the patents and applications cited above are incorporated herein by references, together with application 09/571,422, filed May 15, 2000 (now US Patent No. 6,947,571).